

Blood fills a vile in order to be tested for suitability to participate in the walking blood bank program.

Photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Tiger Martinez

Enterprise Sailors volunteer to save lives

By MC3 Michael L. Croft

Enterprise Public Affairs USS ENTERPRISE, At sea – A lifesaving medical program is in full effect aboard the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise (CVN 65) which is conducting work-ups and flight operations, Aug. 30.

The walking blood bank program provides Sailors an opportunity to save a shipmate's life in the event of a mass casualty or during medical emergencies when a blood transfusion becomes necessary.

Throughout the year, Sailors are encouraged to volunteer for the program. Before volunteers are accepted to take part, they are screened for a number of disqualifying factors, including blood-borne illnesses. Once they have completed the screening, they're on-call and ready to assist if necessary.

"This program is extremely important," said Lt. Cmdr. Sondra M. Santana, the ship's nurse and Medical department division officer. "If a patient is in dire need for blood and we don't have enough on the ship, we may need to ask for help from a volunteer donor right out of our database."

When Enterprise deploys, its Medical department will keep 10 units of blood on

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hand for emergencies. When those units are exhausted, the blood of the Sailors in the walking blood bank will be the only blood available.

During a mass causality event one patient or accident victim can use up to 50 units of blood during lifesaving treatment. Without help from the walking blood bank, that patient may die.

Medical doesn't keep a mass quantity of blood on standby because of the relatively short shelf life of blood kept in refrigeration.

"Keeping a lot of blood just isn't practical," said Hospital Corpsman 1st Class (SW/AW) Sarah J. Coleman, Medical department's leading lab technician. "Blood can only be kept for up to 60 days. After that it must be swapped out for new blood.

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SAILORS OF THE DAY



Aviation Ordnanceman 3rd Class David J. Duprey

Q: Why did you join the Navy?

A: "I joined to better my life and help my family."

Q: What is the most rewarding aspect of your job?

A: "Knowing that I am doing my part to serve the country."

Q: What do you do in your spare time? A: "I like to play sports, go to the gym and work on cars."

Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Apprentice Jared M. King

Q: Why did you join the Navy?

A: "I joined to better myself and show all those back home what I am capable of doing."

Q: What is the most rewarding aspect of your job?

A: "Seeing people smile when I tell them their photo is on Navy.mil."

Q: What do you do in your spare time? A: "I like to scuba dive, spearfish and go clubbing."



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If we didn't use it, it is wasted. With the shortage of blood we wouldn't want to [use up] any more than we have to."

More than 400 Sailors of all different blood types are needed to make up Enterprise's walking blood bank.

"The Sailors who raise their hand and say 'I am willing to donate when blood

is needed are wonderful people," said Santana. "I don't think people realize how important giving blood really is. They are saving their shipmates' lives."

Medical department will be holding a blood screening Sept. 8-9 in the medical laboratory. For more information about the walking blood bank e-mail HM1 Greer at greerw@cvn65.navy.mil or HM1 Coleman colemans@cvn65. navy.mil.

Enterprise is conducting work-ups and flight deck operations in preparation for its upcoming deployment. For more information about USS Enterprise, Carrier Strike Group 12 or Carrier Air Wing One visit www. Enterprise.navy.mil, www.ccsg12.surfor.navy.mil, and www.cvw1.navy.mil. You can also visit www.news. navy.mil/local/cvn65.





Photo by Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Apprentice Jared M. Kind

Sailors from Combat Systems department assemble a Ship-launched, Interceptaerial guided missile (RIM-7) in preparation for the NATO Sea Sparrow (MK-57) upload.



Lance Cpl. Emal G. Britt, assigned to the "Thunderbolts" of Marine Strike Fighter Squadron (VMFA) 251, inspects the firing pin and bolt assembly of an M4A1 carbine rifle.



Photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Michael L. Cro

Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Handling) 3rd Class (AW) Daniel W. Spinner signals the pilot of an HH-60H Seahawk assigned to the "Dragonslayers" of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron (HS) 11 that it is clear to lower and drop its cargo during a replenishment at sea.



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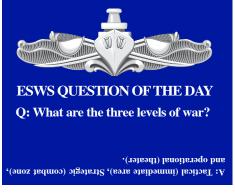
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